

# ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW

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VICKERS, AMIL	213	St. Savas 1894
00 Not many Serbs in Sac some 64th Spread all over	217	Church in Sacto belongs to parishioners, not diocese
12 Women canneries, men S.P. shops 1910's	238	They use Syrian camp in Frazier Park instead of St. Savas
20 Father Trebinje, mother Nicšić	248	Organizations, United Slavonic Alliance, Sokol (see Zornjak-Dir) World's Fair in S.F., Blato, Korčula, Am-Slavic Hall - mid 50's, joint picnics, going to build Slavic hall
30 Vickers Mkt. - Alhambra + S - 1938 Details		
46 Again, no central location of pop.	320	Serb parish organized 1952 Vidovdan 6/28/1389 (Kosovo) Folklore + nationalism
55 D.P. camps sent people, family sep. More Serbs now than ever	355	SNF (Sveza's Federation)
74 Serbian nationalism	370	Sjedinnje Slav D of D - mostly Cro. Disbanded 1982 - disbursed remaining funds among 35 members left
80 Politics, religion, church		
84 1963 schism in church 39-62 bishop (only one in West Hem.) in America ran things his way	390	Last Pres, Joe Antisovich
	408	Family history, name changes
105 War + post-war prevented church from dealing with problems	427	Am-Slav Hall @ 200 + members, some Serbs, etc.
	270	Kolo group Radinich, ref to Cossich Cossichs Chaffless coffee 3 Bros. - Croatian
130 Bishop, deal, politics		
173 About 1/3 are schismatic 1977 Free S.O. church of U.S. + Canada They have St. Sava's in Jackson, but they're trying to play neutral \$4 mill in legal fees so far	500	Saveza (Serb) Zajednica (Cro) 1st Serb Ben. Soc. S.F. Own Kolma Cem.

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| <p>525 Business details @ church on Sunset</p> <p>545 20-25 thousand pop. 20 to 1 ratio Cro to Serb</p> <p>555 United Slav men's + women's societies Big in Am-Slav, ladies lodge Still going</p> <p>570 1952 - 25 people most D.P.'s Organized parish</p> <p>580 Cro. Cath. Ch. 17 + T Bishop gave them a priest Am-Slav looking for a hall Didn't want religious connotation Sell that lot for hall but it'd already sold, would have given them property near CSUS but would have been named after a saint, so they didn't get anything</p> <p>645 High school across stree caused vandalism problems (Sold \$225K cash)</p> <p>680 150 church members, 90 live more than an hour from Sac Hold a membership, send dues, get bulletin</p> <p>710 Local businesses</p> <p>728 Religion + marriage, orthodox religious services same but for languages, share some services Orthodoxy unchanging Church history</p> | <p>795 Ecumenical Council (785) Rome was furthest away 1064 break patriarch of Constantinople was 1st among equals, mutual excommunication. Just recently (-16/18) years mutually forgave the excommunications</p> <p>909 No local cemetery</p> <p>00 New tape</p> <p>05 Odbrana - Serb National Defense Remnant of groups who went back to help fight the Austrians</p> <p>17 Kumovi - many kinds, must have Kum to be baptized, one Kum for all occasions, can't intermarry with Kum's family in the old days "proxy Kums" Slava - Saint Day in S.O. church christianized by Greek missionaries Patron saint of family</p> <p>73 Slava procedure</p> <p>80 Serbian identity - all Serbs have a Slava</p> <p>100 Local organizations (Jednote = 90% Ličan) 50/80 Ortho/Cath in Lika Most massacres in WW II</p> <p>140 Čovič, Corinich both were WW I volunteers fighting Austrians Čovič was Hrvat</p> <p>150 More organizations - Ljubica club Mostly Am. born like a sorority members</p> |
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| <p>185 Druids had a Cro.<br/>president</p> <p>200 Building the church</p> <p>213 John Filcich, national<br/>culture<br/>John wasn't a D.P. or<br/>a refugee</p> <p>245 Church politics</p> <p>END</p> <p>VICKERS (VUKAJOVICH)<br/>STEVE &amp; HELEN</p> <p>301 Steve 1/8/1895 to<br/>U.S. 6/1913 Montana<br/>to Cal. 3/22/1927<br/>(Jackson)<br/>Cousin in Jackson<br/>Lunch - Rosemont Grill,<br/>George Lucich<br/>Raised close to<br/>Dubrovnik</p> <p>She - Vučorovic, Helen<br/>Nicsić (Montenegro)<br/>7/1/1894<br/>Great Falls, Montana<br/>visit uncle<br/>Married 7/1/1919<br/>Changed name to<br/>Vickers for business</p> <p>460 Family + relatives</p> <p>470 To Sac 4/17/1938<br/>Strike caused them to<br/>move, 'cause he didn't<br/>take sides</p> <p>499 Mostly Croatians,<br/>organized club,<br/>parish, etc.<br/>Slavonic Hall Associa-<br/>tion<br/>Serbs + Croats together<br/>2nd Serbian Defense<br/>Start church instead<br/>Details of buying church<br/>Church was prot. before -<br/>Holy Rollers?</p> | <p>573 Organized '52<br/>Bought land '58<br/>United Slavs Club<br/>Bishop said there were<br/>non-Catholics so they<br/>couldn't do it + never<br/>saw the money, separated<br/>post-war D.P.'s separatists</p> <p>610 Massacres in WW II<br/>Pope Gregory 1054</p> <p>630 Businesses/more church bus.<br/>Vickers mkt.</p> <p>682 Farm at 4448 Edison Avenue</p> <p>700 Kumovi, responsibilities</p> <p>730 Serbian history + Montenegro<br/>1862 Father took to the hills<br/>came down in 1878 when<br/>Austria took over<br/>Spoke Italian, trans to<br/>Spanish, got Mexican<br/>trade<br/>Business dropped 75%<br/>during strike<br/>Ladies in cannery work,<br/>Libby, DelMonte,<br/>Richards</p> <p>END TAPE</p> |
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